

ANGLICAN CHURCH WOMEN'S REPORT

The Anglican Church Women (ACW) includes all the women who are members of St. Olave's. While many women belong to the Mary and Martha group and to the ACW Executive, many of those who do not are active in several ways, be it singing in the choir, serving on the Altar Guild, teaching Junior Church, greeting, reading lessons, helping with community outreach such as Hunger Patrol and PGAF Meals for Seniors, serving in some official capacity or simply volunteering for events and providing much needed support.

We would like to acknowledge the contribution of Wardens Janice Douglas, Sharm Powell, and Carol Ambler. Treasurer Annis Tebbutt; St O's indefatigable and invaluable Church Secretary Judy Beal; Altar Guild, Dale Allen, Louise Rennie, Tina Sweeney, Margaret Roze, Caroline Audet (flowers) Alicia and Karen Christopher; Junior Church Coordinator Siobhan Carmichael; live streaming crew Janice Douglas, Aden Shapland, Carol Ambler; Chair of the Second Century Fund, Carol Drummond; Chair of the Stewardship Committee, Martha Drake; Convener of Mary and Martha Louise Rennie; Convener of Coffee Hour Lisa Jeens; and Convener of greeters and Youth Group Leader Carol Ambler.

Activities in 2023 included the following:

Hosting 3 coffee hours and summer Lemonade on the Lawn.

January: Stripping of the 2022 Christmas and mitten trees, items from the mitten tree donated and delivered by Lily K to the Ukrainian Social Services for war refugees.

April 1 Zoom prayer breakfast with Wycliffe College:

April 15 Book Sale & Give Away in the St. Olave's Community Day organized by Junior Church leader Siobhan Carmichael.

July 15 Participation and Book Sale in the Community Day held in conjunction with the Bloor St. BIA Street Fest.

November 18 participated in the Christmas Market Craft sale and held a successful Gift Basket Raffle.

December: Hosted a table at the St. Olave's Christmas Community Dinner Dec 2; Decorated the traditional Christmas and mitten trees. The items from the mitten tree will be donated to the Sistering Agency for Women & Children.

Fund raising activities such as raffles, No Bake Sale, Books, Art, Treasures & Knitting sales, sustained the ACW charitable donations and support for church programs, including part of the cost of a cleaner, in 2023.

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Donation of Easter Bags to Seniors through LOFT will be resumed in 2024.

In the partnership between St. Olave's and Parkdale Golden Age Foundation (PGAF), the ACW assists the team lead by Joyce Pinnock in the **Meal for Seniors Program** by taking meal orders, packing and delivering an average of 45 meals every other Wednesday. This community outreach program is enhanced by the participation of ADDUS which provides the desserts. Our thanks to volunteers Bette, Allison, Cathy, Margaret, Judy, Kim and Janice.

The Mary and Martha group enjoyed the in-person meetings with a variety of programs held on the 3rd Tuesday of the month. There was a summer hiatus. New members Cynthia and Leonora were welcomed.

We were saddened by the loss of Rev. Canon Ruth S. Smith, Rev. Diana Spencer, Crena Swingler and Cynthia Markham. Rev. Canon Ruth S. Smith served as Honorary Assistant to the parish and then as president of the ACW. A donation was made in her memory to Dorothy Ley Hospice. Rev. Diana Spencer, a regular at Bible Study inspired us with her quiet faith and dignity. Crena Swingler, a long-time member of St. Olave's was actively involved in Hunger Patrol from its inception, During her short time at St. Olave's, Cynthia Markham attended services & coffee hour regularly and had started to go to Bible Study and Mary & Martha. Our lives were touched by them.

This report is submitted on behalf of the executive members Bette Birmingham, Judy Sher and Margaret Roze.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila Tait, St Olave's ACW President

2023 ACW FINANCIAL REPORT Jan 1 - Dec 31 2023

	ACW ACCOUNT	ACW PETTY CASH	TOTAL
Opening Balance	\$6,899.83	\$184.30	\$7,084.13
INCOMES			
Deposit Nov 12 23	\$100.00	1 Quiche \$40.00	
Deposit Nov 26 23	\$50.00	Books \$10.00	
Food Emporium	\$209.00	BBQ Raffle \$215.00	
Christmas Craft Show	\$1,126.25	Cash Craft Show \$313.50	
TOTAL INCOMES	\$1,485.25	\$578.50	\$2,063.75
			\$9,147.88
EXPENSES			
Toronto Diocese ACW	\$100.00	Gift	
Payments - Cleaner	\$1,195.00	Guest Speaker 49.70	
		Coffee Hours (4) \$76.95	
		Book Removal 50.00	
		Gift - Jr Church \$100.00	
		3 Gift Cards \$300.00	
		Christmas	
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$1,295.00	0	\$576.65
Closing Balance	\$7,090.08	\$186.15	\$7,276.23